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Remarks

The Examiner has required restriction between the following groups of claims:

- I. Claims 25-43, 85, 88, 89, 91 and 92, drawn to a apparatus comprising a trimmer and a carrier, classified in class 29, subclass 797.
- II. Claims 83, 90 and 93-140, drawn to a automated manufacturing line, classified in class 29, subclass 791.

Applicants provisionally elect Group II, claims 83, 90 and 93-140, without traverse.

Conclusion

Applicants provisionally elect Group II, claims 83, 90 and 93-140 without traverse. All non-elected claims remaining in the application will be filed in a divisional application. Early notification of allowability is respectfully requested. If there are any remaining issues which the examiner believes may be resolved in an interview, the Examiner is respectfully invited to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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